

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Pat D. O'Donnell

Serial No.: 10/701,253

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Group Art Unit: 3735

Before the Examiner: Hopkins, Christine D.

Title: A SURGICAL INSTRUMENT FOR TREATING FEMALE
URINARY STRESS INCONTINENCE

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of September 8, 2009, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 8, 2009, please reconsider the rejections of the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.